

STAGE STRUCK GIRLS.

More than a Score Would Like to Find John E. Fulton,

A GAY THEATRICAL AGENT.

Who Operated Extensively in Pittsburgh—Stories Told by His Landlady and Some of His Victims. Escaped While an Officer Sought Him—How He Deceived the Young Ladies.

The following account of the operations of a clever swindler is from the Pittsburgh Post. Some time since advertisements, such as those thrown out by Fulton to capture victims appeared in Wheeling papers, and it is not improbable that some of his victims reside in this city. The Post's article is as follows:

Miss Maggie Beers, of Jeannette, Misses Christine and Belle McMillan, of No. 4 Lacoek street, Allegheny, and about a score of other young ladies of histrionic ambitions in the two cities are mourning their brief acquaintance with John E. Fulton, theatrical agent. The sorrow of the lady first named is so acute that she has placed her case in the hands of Sullivan and McCarnes, the attorneys at No. 140 Fifth avenue. Those gentlemen secured a capias from the court, charging trespass and damages, and placed the bench warrant in the hands of Sheriff McCleary. Deputy Sheriff Doyle and a sister of Miss Beers spent yesterday afternoon in a vain search for Fulton. The deputy had information that Fulton would leave the city by the Pennsylvania railroad from the Union depot last evening. He kept a close watch on out-going trains, but the agent was not among the passengers.

Fulton came to Pittsburgh last July, about the middle of the month. His first operations were at the head of the American exhibition bureau. Under his direction, and through the patronage of the Duquesne Traction Company, a collection of non-mad negroes gave several concerts in Highland park. It was he, also, who brought to the city the famous cloud-kisser, known variously as May Ballou, Mlle. Decca and Della Gerritt. The woman was to have made a parachute descent after going 5,000 feet in the air at Highland park, but failed in every attempt. Once, while drunk and in aerial costume, she was arrested for her antics on Smithfield street. Again, May waded into the Monongahela river deep at the Ross street railroad bridge and calmly laid down to die. Several small boys heroically saved her. The woman always claimed Fulton had never paid her any salary except by promise. She became penniless, and Chief Elliott provided her transportation to Cincinnati, her home.

HE OPENED AN OFFICE.

After that, the season for open air attractions being advanced, Fulton engaged in the theatrical business as an agent. He opened an office in the residence of Mrs. Sophia Fauth, 442 Penn avenue. He advertised extensively in the newspapers, wanting girls to join the Cleopatra burlesque company. Scores of replies poured in on him. One letter came from Miss Beers, who is an extremely attractive girl, just reaching twenty years. That young lady was passionately desirous of shining as a theatrical star and having her name billed in five-inch letters. She had already experienced some such joys on a small scale. Eighteen months ago, while on a visit to Butler, she joined the Rinehart opera company and went on a tour through Ohio and West Virginia.

Still her ambition remained. She wrote to Fulton. He answered her, his letter bearing a Seventh Avenue Hotel letter head. Miss Beers met him in the office on Penn avenue a month ago. With little difficulty an agreement was reached. Miss Beers signed a contract allowing her \$15 weekly and expenses, barring hotel bills. She also advanced Fulton \$15 to assist in purchasing a wardrobe. The company named after Egypt's queen was to take the road October 15. Meanwhile the girl took a two weeks trip to Cincinnati, going on the steamer C. W. Batchelor. Upon her return could never be found in his office. He made several appointments with her by letter, but never kept them. Miss Beers, feeling she was swindled, allowed her stellar aspirations to ooze through her fingers. Then she consulted her sister, who is a typewriter employed in Pittsburgh, and both appeared before the attorneys, Sullivan and McCarnes.

Deputy Doyle, after receiving the capias, searched diligently for Fulton. He and the Pittsburgh Miss Beers had an active chase yesterday. They first went to the office on Penn avenue. The agent and his wife live with a family at No. 182 North avenue, Allegheny. Mrs. Fulton received the two when they called there. Seeing Miss Beers' handsome face, she exclaimed:

"Oh, you're one of the girls to join the company. Come in, my dear. What part will you play?"

"No nonsense," sternly put in the deputy. "Where is your husband?"

"He's gone out of town, and won't be back for several days," answered Mrs. Fulton, and this was all the information she would give.

Fulton's "office," at No. 440 Penn avenue, was visited. Mrs. Fauth, who rents the building, is a little woman of German birth, and a habit of expressively shrugging her shoulders like the French. "Oh, that man owe you money, too, was it?" was her salutation, accompanied by a cheerful grin. Then she went off into a fearful volume of wonderfully expressive epithets directed against the missing agent.

"Does Fulton owe you money, Mrs. Fauth?" asked the reporter.

"He does, the villain! He owes me \$25, which he borrowed, and \$50 for rent of this room."

"How long was he here?"

"Since July 15. At first he rented the place from Professor Charles Bowman, an old music teacher who lives over in Manchester. He paid Mr. Bowman only a small part of what was due. Once when Professor Bowman came in after his rent he protested against those pictures hanging on the walls and against the large number of young girls who came in. Fulton fiercely threatened to throw the professor out a window if he said another word."

"Did many girls call here?"

MANY GIRLS VISITED HIM.

"Dozens of young ladies. There were often three or four waiting in the hall. Fulton admitted them only singly. He always locked the door. The girls were measured for stage tights by the agent. He collected all the money he could from them and made all sign contracts. Frequently he remained a long time in the room with some of the girls. There was one girl in particular he treated this way until my sister and I protested. He showed me false checks in payment

of the rent and money he owed me. One was for \$1,500. He said the bank was in San Francisco and he could not get it cashed for some time. Another check was for \$50. He owed the musicians who played for him in Highland park. They have come here several times, and Fulton put them off by promises. A man at No. 55 Federal street is out \$50 from knowing the agent. The girls, too, used to come back and ask Fulton when the company was going to start. Most of them were poor girls. I know at least twenty by sight, but their names I never heard. After getting their money Fulton would refuse to talk to them. There were four people to whom he owed money here to-day."

"Were you to be one of the actresses?" the reporter inquired.

Mrs. Fauth grinned and showed her teeth. "My sister was," she answered. "She paid some money, but was not measured."

HIS SANCTUARY.

The "office" is a big front room on the first floor. There is a lounge, or settee, some cushioned chairs, a plain folding desk, bookcase and brussels carpet in it. Fulton was there last Thursday for the last time. He removed all his papers, but left a quantity of various kinds of show bills, a package of tickets and a stub of Duquesne traction passes. On the walls were three-sheet show posters, depicting women in tights and divers other brief costumes, whose faces showed delight at appearing before a large audience. One poster, covering one wall, pictured a lot of females sportively playing with Cupid, whom they had caged in wire netting. Mrs. Fauth said the pictures were used to enthrall the girlish aspirants. She said also Fulton always drew the heavy window curtains together when he received his young lady callers. Mrs. Fauth said one girl victimized by Fulton lived at No. 415 Penn avenue.

The place is a Hebrew clubhouse, to which is attached a laundry. Here the girl worked. She is Christine McMillan, twenty-one years old, and lives at No. 4 Lacoek street, Allegheny.

"Did you pay Fulton \$15 for costumes?" she was asked.

"No; I gave him \$16."

Miss McMillan is rather a comely woman with a good form. She talked freely and said: "My sister Belle was also a victim. We signed contracts to get \$15 a week. We are poor and wanted to get money without working hard, and Fulton promised we could. He wanted to measure me for tights as soon as the door of his office was locked. I refused and told him to get a dress-maker. My sister was measured, though. She had \$83 when she met Fulton. Now she hasn't a penny. We met him on Penn avenue, near Tenth street, last Tuesday evening at 4 o'clock. I demanded our money and said I would call an officer. The agent cursed us and ran up an alley. We stood guard for a long time, but he had escaped. I know of several other girls who paid him money, but I can't remember their names. I will be satisfied to work in a laundry for my living hereafter."

Fulton will be remembered by hundreds of people. He haunted the newspaper offices and sought advertising on all occasions. He is a tall heavily built man and walks with a dignified step. A high hat adorned his head at all times. He invariably wore red neckwear. It is the opinion of his victims that he has fled the town to avoid prosecution. Sullivan and McCarnes will make a determined effort to find him, at all events.

Fulton returned to his boardinghouse at No. 101 North avenue about 7 o'clock last evening. He paid his bill to Mr. Ede, the proprietor. Then he and his wife took all their belongings and hastily left the place.

Coal Famine in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Nov. 6.—There is a coal famine at the Chicago docks from which steamers and tugs are supplied, caused by strikes in the Pittsburgh and Indiana block coal fields. Every available ton of fuel has been exhausted at South Chicago and the stocks have become so low that steamers are using anything they can get. O. S. Richardson & Co. had 300 cars at Cleveland which they intended to ship immediately by lake in order to relieve the famine here, but yesterday the firm found that the railroad company had confiscated the entire amount for its locomotives. The trouble extends to all manufacturing establishments heretofore using Pittsburgh and Indiana block coal.

The Bank in No Danger.

Boston, Nov. 6.—The run on the Five Cents Savings Bank continues this morning, but in a lessened degree. President Evans says: "The trustees have no intention now of taking any action in the sixty-day clause, and the bank will pay cash to depositors when they desire it. The run is about over. Looking over our books we find that many of the people who have withdrawn their accounts are of the ignorant class, mostly German Jews. Less than one per cent of the deposits was withdrawn the day the run was largest, and some who withdrew have returned to deposit again."

Tin Plate Strike Declared Off.

St. Louis, Nov. 6.—The strike that has been in progress at the tin plate department of the St. Louis Stamping Company's mills has been officially declared off by Ivory Lodge Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, and all the men including the imported and skilled laborers, have returned to work. The Messrs. Neidringhaus express themselves as satisfied with the settlement.

Look Out.

JOLIET, ILL., Nov. 6.—The Baker wire mill at Lockport closed to-night. The superintendent, who is also mayor of Lockport, locked out the fifty employees because they refused to leave a union which they have lately formed with the amalgamated iron and steel workers.

A Cow Stuck in the Mud.

BIRMINGHAM, CONN., Nov. 6.—While hunting, Samuel French discovered a cow stuck in the mud, having been in that position three weeks living on leaves that floated down the stream. Two yokes of oxen were necessary to drag her out.

The consciousness of having a remedy at hand for croup, pneumonia, sore throat, and sudden colds, is very consoling to a parent. With a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in the house, one feels, in such cases, a sense of security nothing else can give.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

CONDITION OF BUSINESS.

It Continues Good—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Review of Trade.

New York, Nov. 6.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s review will say: The failure of a widely known bank at Boston was the striking event of the week, but has caused astonishment rather than disturbance. Withdrawals of money from this post to fortify Boston has caused higher rates. Crops are moving freely, so that it seems scarcely possible that any important monetary disturbance should arise at present.

Reports from all parts of the country show that business, though interrupted somewhat by the elections, has been healthy and large in volume. At Boston the failure of the Maverick bank caused some uneasiness, but business continues steady and healthy; no lack of confidence is seen and money is easy. Western reports still show the effects of a phenomenal grain movement. The iron industry, in spite of the lowest prices ever known for some products, shows no despondency, and the demand for manufactured iron and steel does not diminish. The copper trade is just now unsettled, but tin is slightly stronger, though lead is lower at 4.1 cents.

Trade in dry goods looks a little better; spring goods are in a rather more demand, the dress goods season is fairly satisfactory and agents have begun to show overcoating with fair results. The general average of prices is a shade lower for the week and the markets are less embarrassed than usual by cliques maintaining artificial prices.

In the main, labor is well employed with few controversies about wages. Throughout the country collections seem to be fair for the season, and on the whole, gradually improving. The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last seven days number 266, as compared with a total of 255 last week. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 255.

A TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

A Wife Assists Her Husband's Murderer to Hide His Crime.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Nov. 6.—On Saturday morning last the barn of Richard Foote, in Peasstown, a settlement near the town of Windsor, this county, was destroyed by fire. On Sunday last the charred remains of Foote were found in the ruins by neighbors. Foote was an old man and his wife is a young woman. Certain actions of Mrs. Foote after the fire and reports concerning her intimate relations with John Furman, a resident of the neighborhood, aroused suspicion. An investigation was instituted by coroner Smith of Windsor, and Mrs. Foote confessed that her husband left the house at 9 o'clock Friday morning and went towards the barn. About twenty minutes later Furman came in to the house with blood on his hands and clothes and told her he had killed Foote with a club. She went to the barn with Furman, and found Foote lying dead in the barn. About 1 o'clock Saturday morning Furman returned to the house, procured some kerosene and after saturating the body with it set the barn on fire. Furman and Mrs. Foote are under arrest.

Evidence of Crime.

Boston, Nov. 6.—District Attorney Allen, in his argument, stated that he had received a statement from Examiner Ewer, that Messrs. Potter, French and Dana owed the Maverick bank over \$2,500,000. He further stated: "The examiner said that among the assets of the bank were found notes endorsed by the three accused directors, the promissory of which could not be found and whom he did not believe existed. As a result of the hearing Colonel French's bail was reduced to \$50,000, but bonds have not been furnished."

St. Clair River Low.

PORT HURON, MICH., Nov. 6.—The water in the St. Clair is lower than it has been in many years. Masters of heavily loaded boats are advised to check down in coming in and going out on ranges at Point Edward and Port Gratiot, also to keep close to the Canadian side while passing the middle ground opposite this city. Soundings taken yesterday on the head of middle ground showed 12 feet 8 inches.

Poisoned Pancakes.

AMHERST, N. H., Nov. 6.—The daughter of George McKay put arsenic in the pancakes in mistake for baking powder. All of the family partook of the cakes. The daughter is dead and the rest of the family are slowly recovering.

Gets Twenty Years.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 6.—A special from Long Prairie, Minn., says that William Bender, who murdered his wife, has been found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary.

Greggains and LeBlanche to Fight.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 6.—The Occidental club has matched Alex Greggains and George LeBlanche to fight on December 12 for a purse of \$2,000.

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"Early in 1850 I went to Chicago to visit a sister, but was confined to my bed most of the time I was there. In July I read a book, 'A Day with a Circus,' in which were statements of cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla. I was so impressed with the success of this medicine that I decided to try it. To my great gratification the sores soon decreased, and I began to feel better and in a short time I was up and out of doors. I continued to take Hood's Sarsaparilla for about a year, when, having used six bottles, I had become so fully released from the disease that I went to work for the Flint & Walling Mill Co., and since then have not lost a single day."

"I am now 27 years of age and can walk as well as any one, except that my limb is a little shorter than the other, owing to the loss of bone, and the sores formerly on my right leg. To my friends my recovery seems almost miraculous, and I think Hood's Sarsaparilla is the king of medicine." WILLIAM A. LUM, 9 N. Railroad St., Kenilworth, Ind.

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